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SUBJECT: GENERAL MOTORS ACTIVITY IN POLAND

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COMMERCE FOR BEWT: TDAD-PLANAGAN

1. GENERAL MOTORS HAS INVITED JANUSZ SZOTEK, VICE MINISTER OF MACHINE INDUSTRY, TO VISIT COMPANY OFFICES IN NEW YORK AND DETROIT DURING WEEK OF MARCH 25. EMBASSY REQUEST THAT COMMERCE PROJECT OFFICER PLANAGAN (BEWT/TDAD) IMMEDIATELY CONTACT LESLIE SMITH, MANAGER FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AT GM'S OVERSEAS OPERATIONS HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK (TEL. 212-486-3434) AND INFORM HIM OF FOLLOWING:

(A) MINISTRY OF MACHINE INDUSTRY HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT SZOTEK PLANNING TO LEAVE POLAND MARCH 24 FOR THE US AND HAVE TALKS WITH GM ON MARCH 25-27, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROGRAM TO BE ARRANGED BY GM. MINISTRY ADVISED THAT GM HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THIS DIRECTLY.

(B) SZOTEK TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY ZYGMUNT DROZDA, GENRAL DIRECTOR OF POL-MOT FOREIGN TRADE ENTERPRISE; AND DIRECTOR JERZY RACZYNSKI OF METAEXPORT FOREIGN TRADE ENTERPRISE.

(C) SZOTEK PLANS TO SPEND MARCH 28-30 IN PITTSBURGH
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FOR MEETINS ON INVITATIONOF SWINDELL-DRESSLER COMPANY.

2. PLANAGAN REQUESTED TO INFORM SMITH, FOR HIS INFORMATION OF CONTENTS OF STOCKHOLM 1100 (3/15/74) CONCERNING REPORTED PLANS OF VOLVO FOR JOINT VENTURE WITH POLAND. IN ADDITION, PLEASE INFORM SMITH THAT AS YET EMBASSY HAS NOT RECEIVED SIGNED COPY OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FROM GM FOR TRANSMITTAL TO POLISH SIDE, NOR DO WE KNOW IF MOTOPROJECT GENERAL DIRECTOR SZUTKOWSKI HAS RECIEVED COPY INDEPENDENTLY.

3. FYI: EMBASSY IS IN DIRECT TOUCH WITH SWINDELL-DRESSLER OFFICIALS NOW IN WARSAW CONCERNING PITTSBURGH PORTION OF SZOTEK'S VISIT. END FYI.
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